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RE: Ten-Year Rate System Review, Docket No. RM 2017-3

## **Dear Commissioners:**

I am writing on behalf of Jewish Voice Ministries International and our beneficiaries and donors. We depend heavily on the U.S. Mail to raise funds and communicate with our supporters.

We believe that stable postage rates that increase no more than the Consumer Price Index are essential to our ability to continue our mission. Further, the current CPI cap system provides the necessary external motivation for the USPS to control its costs and scale itself to today's mail volume. It is already a challenge to keep up with increases based on the CPI and any additional expense that does exceed inflation will lead to a necessary reduction in our use of direct mail. If we are forced to reduce mailing, our revenue will suffer and we will be forced to reduce the services that so many depend on.

Increases in postage above inflation will lead us to reduce the main elements of our critical mission, which is to provide humanitarian relief to impoverished Jewish people in Africa and other parts of the world and to educate the Church concerning Israel and the Jewish people.

Please do not change the current postal rate system. It balances the objectives and factors required by law in a way that no replacement system could.

Very Truly Yours,

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**Chief Development Officer** 

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